

OATH, POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND PETITION

Being duly sworn, We, Andrew J. Ouderkirk, Michael F. Weber, James M. Jonza, and Carl A. Stover depose and say that: (1) our respective residences, citizenships, and mailing addresses are indicated below; (2) we have reviewed and understand the contents of our patent application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to herein, which is identified as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/402,042, filed March 10, 1995; (3) we verily believe that we are the original, first, and joint inventors or discoverers of the invention or discovery in

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described and claimed therein and for which a patent is sought; and (4) this application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in our earlier filed pending application, Serial No. 08/359,436, filed December 20, 1994 and U.S. Serial No. 08/360,215, filed December 20, 1994, which are continuation-in-parts of US. Serial No. 08/171,239, filed December 21, 1993, and U.S. Serial No. 08/171,098, filed December 21, 1993; (5) we hereby acknowledge our duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to the patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56*; and (6) we hereby acknowledge our duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56* which occurred between the filing date of said earlier application and the filing date of this application.

No application for patent or inventor's certificate on said common or said non-common subject matter has been filed by us or our representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States of America, except as follows:

Country	Application No.	Filing Date
PCT (designating Canada, People's Republic of China, EPO (France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands and United Kingdom), Japan, Korea	US94/14323	December 20, 1994
Israel	112101	December 21, 1994
Mexico	950077	January 2, 1995
PCT (designating Brazil, Canada, EPO (France, Germany, Italy, Spain, United Kingdom)	US94/14324	December 20, 1994
Israel	112072	December 20, 1994
Mexico	950078	January 2, 1995

We hereby appoint Gary L. Griswold (Reg. No. 25,396), Walter N. Kirn (Reg. No. 21,196), Roger R. Tamte (Reg. No. 21,093), Terryl K. Qualey (Reg. No. 25,148), Warren R. Bovee (Reg. No. 26,434), Carolyn A. Bates (Reg. No. 27,853), Gerald F. Chernivec (Reg. No. 26,537), and Kari H. Bartingale (Reg. No. 35,183) our attorneys with full powers (including the powers of appointment, substitution, and revocation) to prosecute this application and any division, continuation, continuation-in-part, reexamination, or reissue thereof, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith; the mailing address and the telephone number of the above-mentioned attorneys are

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*Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 is reproduced on the back of this page.

Wherefore, we pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the aforementioned specification and we hereby subscribe our names to the foregoing specification and claims, oath, power of attorney, and this petition, this 26th day of April, 1995.



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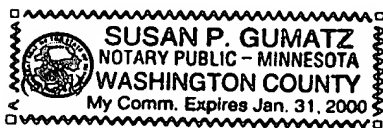
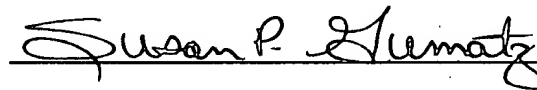
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Notary Public

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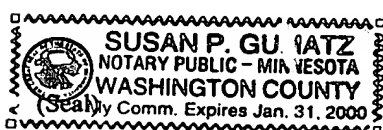
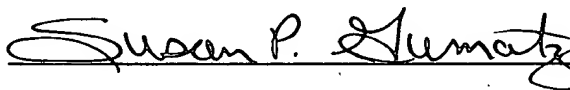
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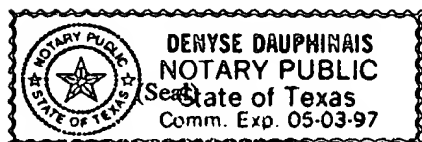
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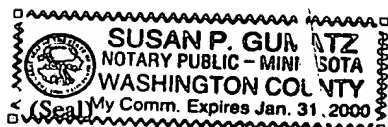
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